



Docket No.: 050395-0252

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Kohei SHIMODA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7535  
Application No.: 10/782,909 : Group Art Unit: 1742  
Filed: February 23, 2004 : Examiner: Ngloclan T. Mai

For: CHAIN-STRUCTURE METAL POWDER, MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, AND CONDUCTIVITY-AFFORDED MATERIAL

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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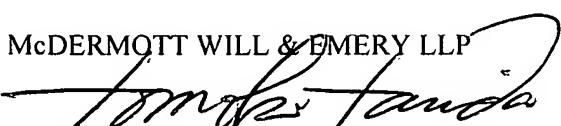
Sir:

Noting the Office Action of January 10, 2007 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant hereby elects Group II (claims 3 and 4) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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